

Thursday - 31 May 1951

1. Mr. Sprankel of the staff of the House Appropriations Committee called to request that the Director appear in defense of the CIA budget for Fiscal Year of 1952 before a special sub-committee at 10:30 on 1 June. Although the Director felt that this was very short notice, he agreed to appear, especially in view of the fact that the Committee was about to reach certain aspects of the CIA budget which would require knowledge of certain members of the Committee.

2. Discussed with Mr. Scott and Mr. McDonald of the Senate Appropriations Committee Staff the problem raised by Senator McCarran's request that the Director appear to defend the CIA budget before the McCarran Sub-Committee. In discussion with the Deputy Director for Administration, it was pointed out the CIA would not have received such a request had portions of the budget not been placed in a budget item which showed a large additional increase over and beyond the CIA budget.